

3rd JULY 2022

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C

“Lord, they said, ‘even the devils submit to us when we use your name ”

Luke 10:17


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ALL MASSES ADVERTISED BELOW ARE AVAILABLE TO JOIN LIVE, ONLINE AT
www.churchservices.tv/portswoodchur

Date	Solemnities & Feast days	Mass Times	Mass details & intentions	 THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS 1st Reading: Isaiah 66:10-14 Psalm: 65:1-7,16,20 2nd Reading: Galatians 6:14-18 Gospel: Luke 10:1-12,17-20
Sun 03 July	FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	8.30 am 10.30 am	- Brian Physick (95 th birthday on 1/7/22)	
Mon 04 July	St Elizabeth of Portugal	-	No Mass	
Tues 05 July	St Anthony Zaccaria	10.00 am	-	
Wed 06 July	St Maria Goretti	-	No Mass	
Thur 07 July	Feria	12 noon	Funeral – Catherine Young RIP	
Fri 08 July	Feria	9.30 am	Rosary	
Sat 09 July	St Augustine Zhao Rong	10.00 am	-	
Sun 10 July	FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	8.30 am 10.30 am	- -	

TEA AND COFFEE AFTER MASSES
Please join us in the hall for refreshments after the Sunday 10.30 am Mass this weekend.




CAKE SALE
TODAY Sunday 3rd July after the 10.30 am Mass
Volunteers are needed to make cakes. Please bring any cakes to the church hall at least 15 minutes for Mass starts. **Please bring cash to buy cakes!** All proceeds to the general parish funds. We also **need volunteers to help sell the cakes.** If you are able to help in any way, please contact Maria Maddocks on 07835121496 or speak to her or Gemma Siddons after Mass. All support very much appreciated.



SUMMER PARISH FUN DAY
Sunday 17th July 11.00 am
BBQ, refreshments and stalls.
Donations of bottles, good quality gifts, bric-a-brac are all welcome – please give to Anastasia after Sunday 10.30 am Mass or bring to the parish office.

WRITING OF THE BIDDING PRAYERS
We are in need of a few volunteers to write the bidding prayers on a rota basis. There are some guidelines available and Deacon Peter Silsbury will also be offering a short training session to help guide those who have not done this before, or to those who feel a little ‘rusty’. Anyone who feels they could contribute would be very welcome to help and much appreciated – please sign up on the sheet by the sacristy door, contact Rachel in the parish office or speak to Mary Gobbi.

 **RECENTLY DIED**
Una Chandler
Una died peacefully in hospital on Monday afternoon, 27th June
Dennis Wilson
Dennis died with his family around him on Tuesday morning, 28th June
Catherine Young
Of Kent Road , died on 18th June
Funeral in the church on Thurs 7th July at 12 noon

Dates for funerals for Dennis and Una will be advertised in next week’s newsletter.

BAPTISMS
This Sunday afternoon, 3rd July we welcome 4 children into the faith of the Catholic Church through Baptism.



Aurelia – daughter of Samuel & Amelia
Jimena – daughter of Victor & Milly
Krystian – son of Konrad & Katarzyna
River – daughter of Paul & Kangli

PARISH OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK
Tuesday & Thursday 9.30 am – 5 pm

COURAGE, TRUST AND RESOLVE

“Go on your way; behold, I am sending you like lambs among wolves. Carry no money bag, no sack, no sandals; and greet no one along the way.” [Luke 10:3-4](#)

One of the hardest things to do in life is to enter into complete trust in God. But this is also one of the most fruitful things we can do for our life of faith. Trust in God is not something we can automatically do, it requires continual surrender and resolve as our Lord invites us deeper.

This passage above begins by Jesus making a powerful statement: “I am sending you like lambs among wolves.” This strong image is meant to reveal that the mission we will be given by our Lord is not something we can do on our own. A little lamb would not do well walking into a pack of wolves... unless the shepherd were right there beside it.

Jesus is not only revealing that His mission will require great courage, but that it cannot be accomplished without Him. Thus, He goes on to offer the practical directive to “Carry no money bag, no sack, no sandals; and greet no one along the way.” If we look at this line from a spiritual point of view, we can hear Jesus saying two things. First, “Rely upon my providence as you go about your mission in life.” Second, “Keep focused upon your final goal and do not get drawn here or there.” It’s not that bringing money with or speaking to strangers are in and of themselves bad ideas; rather, we should hear the deeper spiritual meaning of trust and resolve to fulfill His mission.

Reflect, today, upon how well you do trust in the providence of God as you strive to courageously embrace His will. Reflect, also, upon how fully you are committed to going all the way, resolving to complete the task that our Lord has given you. Recommit yourself to these aspects of a life of faith, and the Good Shepherd will be there every step of the way.

A reflection for 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C
My Catholic Life, www.mycatholic.life.com

TUESDAY COFFEE MORNING EVERY WEEK AFTER 10 AM MASS

Please join us in the hall for coffee on Tuesday mornings. A friendly welcome awaits you.



COLLECTION TOTALS LAST WEEK:
(including card donations & gift aid)
Standing orders - £1046.54/week
Main Collection: £248.57
2nd Collection - Peters Pence - £258.78

SECOND COLLECTIONS:-

TODAY, SUNDAY 3rd JULY - No Second Collection

NEXT SUNDAY 10th JULY - Apostleship of the Sea

Donations can be made in cash, by cheque or using our card payment machine in the church porch.

For all donations given in ANY envelope – purple, yellow, brown or your own, PLEASE MAKE IT CLEAR WHAT YOUR DONATION IS FOR, so that we can ensure

it goes to the fund to which it was intended, ie General Fund (Offertory collection) or the name of the second collection you are donating to. **If you are registered with the parish for gift aid, please also ensure your gift aid number is given on the envelope.**

The Parish Bank Account details are:

Name: PRCDTR Immaculate Conception Church,
Sort Code: 30-93-04, Account No: 00887995

STELLS MARIS UK

(Formerly the Apostleship of the Sea)

APPEAL FOR PARISH VOLUNTEERS AND SUPPORTERS

Stella Maris volunteers are at the front line of the work of Stella Maris UK, providing practical, spiritual and emotional support for seafarers, fishers and their families across the UK and worldwide.



- **Volunteer Ship Visitors**
No previous experience needed. Training provided to develop the skills to engage with seafarers and fishers.
- **Donations of routine daily living items**
- **Knitters of warm woollen hats and scarves**
- **Parish Representatives**

Please see the noticeboard in the church porch for further details if you think you could help.

ANNUAL DIOCESAN SIGNIFICANT ANNIVERSARIES

MASS, Saturday 2nd July, 11.00 am

Are you celebrating a significant wedding anniversary this year? **25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ years of marriage?**

You are invited to attend a special Mass at St Bede’s in Basingstoke which will be celebrated by Bishop Philip.

If you would like to attend, please contact stbedes@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or phone 01256465214

COVID – THANK YOU!

Now that all restrictions relating to Covid have virtually ceased, a big thank you to all for your support over the last couple of years in keeping everyone as safe as possible whilst at the church, whether by ushering, cleaning, wearing a mask or generally following the recommended guidelines.

Commensurate with most other organisations, we are no longer asking you to wear a face covering in the church. However, if you would feel more comfortable continuing to wear one you are of course very welcome to do so.

We still have a few vulnerable parishioners who come to Mass on Saturdays as the church is not as full so please do continue to be considerate at this Mass in particular. If for example, someone is sitting on the chair in front of you it would be wise not to use the kneeler right behind them.

There are still 'Keep this Seat Free' cards available for those who would like to ensure there is space maintained around them. Please ask one of the welcomers for these cards when you come into the church.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PARTY - THANK YOU

Thank you to the hospitality team who helped to organise the party last Sunday. Special thanks also to Norman Fairchild for providing the activities/games and to Jane Atkins to the lovely baskets of flowers arranged for the procession.

FLAME – AT OVO ARENA, WEMBLEY

The largest youth gathering of Catholics (aged 14 – 25), Flame is back, taking place at the OVO Arena, Wembley on **Saturday 4th March 2023**, with the theme 'Rise Up!'. Loud music, bright lights, and moments of stillness! Coach leaving from St John's Catholic Cathedral, Portsmouth – Cost £28.

Any questions you have about the event can be answered by phoning 07780 221686 or emailing youth@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk. You can also read more about the event at: <https://cymfed.org.uk/flame/>. We are very much looking forward to welcoming you to the arena on the 4th March.

If you would like to go along, please let the parish office know so that we can reserve a space for you. This promises to be a fantastic event. Get together a few friends and reserve your space.



DIOCESAN DAY FOR CATECHISTS AND CHILDREN'S LITURGY LEADERS & HELPERS

8TH October 2022 in Winchester.

Join us for a day of thanksgiving, prayer, fellowship and formation for current Catechists, and those involved in Children's liturgy plus anyone else who would like to get involved in these roles. This is a day when we give thanks for all catechists in the diocese, who have generously responded to the call of Christ and have placed themselves at the service of their parish.

The highlight of the day is the celebration of Mass, offered for all catechists and for all who contribute to Children's Liturgy in the diocese. This day is also a great source of support and strength, as we meet catechists from all corners of the diocese, share with them our joys and struggles, and take time to pray together.

All details and registration here:

<https://www.pffm.org.uk/catechists>

WORLD YOUTH DAY, LISBON 2023

CALLING ALL YOUNG PEOPLE ACROSS THE DIOCESE!

If you are going to be aged 16 or above by July 2023, you are invited to join with like-minded young people from across the diocese to journey on pilgrimage to Lisbon for World Youth Day. This world-wide gathering is planned to take place 1st - 6th August 2023. This is a life changing experience for all those who accept the invitation and this pilgrimage, led by Bishop Philip, is set to be the best one yet! But hurry, spaces are limited! Please register your interest ASAP to get your name on the list. Fill out this form:

[https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=aXEQD-)

[Bnro6EKJ6fBeloq4UgooGaaJgFufUVxIRZLQxUMkdUODIWRjJDRVJPWjJJskVVUIFSohXQy4u](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=aXEQD-Bnro6EKJ6fBeloq4UgooGaaJgFufUVxIRZLQxUMkdUODIWRjJDRVJPWjJJskVVUIFSohXQy4u)

More information and details as soon as possible. For further information, please email Sarah Farrell at wyd@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

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